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C. D. WELDON

TOWN CLERK

Students in France get poor education, Bayview teacher says "To me, this education Malakoff, both suburbs of no more. He later ex-don't spend money on couldn't provide them which results in under-

whatever the ability level France) one must keep in other problems. of the students, our kids mind that taxpayers here are better catered to in out-spend their French

our system." not out of a comic book the differences between Graveson, a French phenomenal. teacher at Bayview Secondary School, who spent all of the 1977-78 school year teaching in

comparing the system of education there with what students receive in Ontario, will not only shock readers but should make them feel proud.

Mr. Graveson was on an exchange program which sent only eight teachers from Ontario to conge. France which, in return, sent eight people over here for the year. Mr. Graveson taught English in Clamart and lived in teacher is a teacher and

counterparts by 10 or 20-Those comments are fold. Mr. Graveson said

"From a teacher's point of view, the workload over there is much lighter than we What he has to say in have here. I taught Monday mornings, all day Tuesday, most of Friday and from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday - that was a normal week. In that region, there are no classes at all on Wednesday — a jour de

> He claims the first thing he learned is a

system is so far ahead it's Paris on the south side. plained how when classes education the way we with. When comparing the ended, school stopped - do," he said. "I thought no comparison, two boards (York County no sports, no extra help, I'd gone back to the 19th Here are some of the wouldn't go back to Unequivocally — and the school system in no advice on academic or century, something from other differences in the France to teach under

NO EXTRAS "It was not just the there. workload that struck

tivities at all." and couldn't settle down teacher. Supply teachers to do their work."

He taught students who to apply right to the degree of supervision. were the equivalent of central administration to - no entry into building junior high here, in get one teacher. Grades 7 to 10. It didn't get turned around.

very sterile, very bland. all told him to deny the time - on the traditional They have (the region request where he was) little physical education and the family of the education.' leased weekly for indoor offered. activities," said Mr. However, it has become He claims it's better for

taught studied music for themselves out after establish a rapport with at least one hour per day, school because too many, his students. The only instruments parents were demanding. The European students

"The people there just something the teachers become very inattentive

another time, when I first systems: saw the conditions timetables available

until class time; must be

1 subjects. Our kids have a

gets more accomplished.

The year he was there, - at one time, if you perience. me," said Mr. Graveson, the school had no biology fail one subject, you "but the fact there were teacher. Students would fail the year; this is division between the but come from Neil the two systems are no extra-curricular ac- received no instruction in now being changed and weak and the strong and that area and some of the failure can result only on it becomes a stigma "I think it had an effect parents became so the parent's request. on the kids - they were frustrated, they were - field trips are non- the classrooms. extremely restless, often at the school asking existent - there's no mentally undisciplined the principal to get a new money.

> One day, one of Mr. off school property within take long for all his Graveson's pupils ap- 10 minutes of bell. preconceptions of proached him for extra "Compared on the European education to help. He was informed of traditional level, their the policy regarding such kids are probably more "Anybody who goes requests but decided to advanced," said Mr. over there is in for a ask some of his fellow Graveson. "That's where shock. The program is teachers what to do. They they spend all of their

> At one time, teachers much broader equipment. Because student needing help Though he works a lot there was no gymnasium, outside class, would set a harder here, he said it's the community gym was price for their services more satisfying and he

> general practice people who are interested All the students he teachers don't hire in the youth - he likes to available were recorders. guaranteed results - are very restricted and

DIFFERENCES

Mr. Graveson said he - no individual still recommends it to others as a one-shot ex-

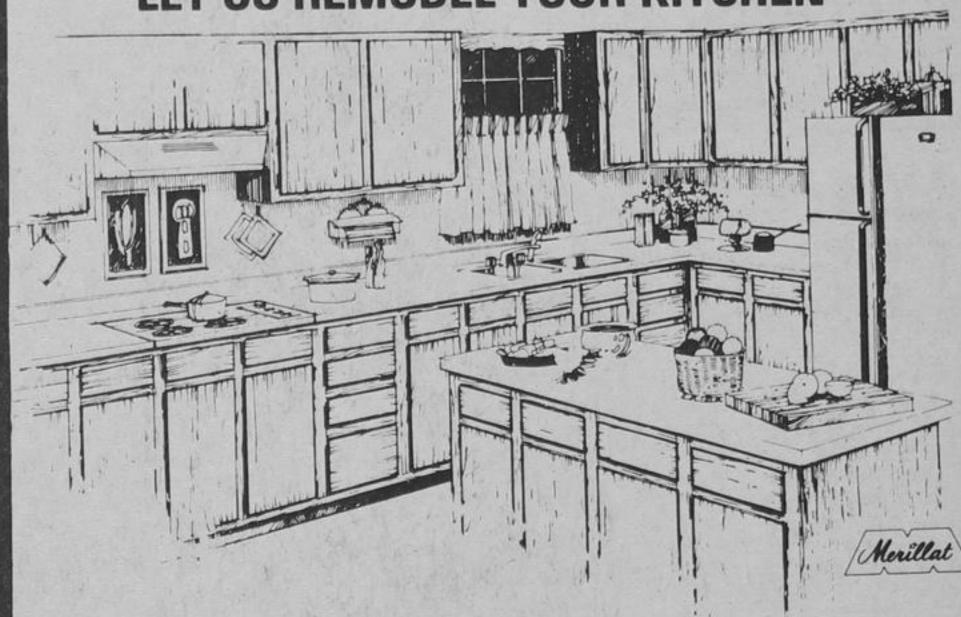
"The superintendent there said education there is no skipping hasn't changed since the are unheard of - he had of classes because of high war - I honestly felt like asking him 'Which one'?'

location:

"There is a strong causing social divisions in

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across the way. If

French teacher at Bayview Secondary, Neil

Graveson, said there's a world of difference

between school systems in France and On-

tario's Ministry of Education. He has taught in

York County for eight years and definitely wouldn't teach permanently in Europe. (Photo

by Steve Pearlstein)

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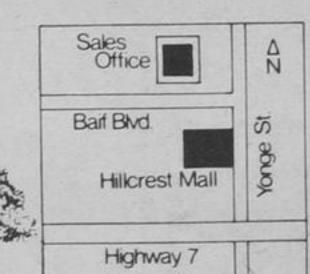
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